January 15, 1947

Mr. John R. Rossi Moana Hotel Honolulu, Hawaii

Dear Dick:

I am sending you co-pilot Roger Fay.

I was told by Wise to employ Fay as first pilot, but on checking his qualifications, found all his time was C-47 and he had no instrument card, so offered him job as co-pilot at \$600.00. Fortunately, before contract was signed, discovered my mistake that salary should be \$450.00. Sent Fay his contract and he has been very decent about the whole business.

I should like very much if you would get Joe Rosbert and Bob Raines to check him out on our C-46's. I think you will find him pretty good and that all Fay lacks is actual C-46 time - his experience in C-47's and his actual commonsense will get him more than just by. I should really appreciate your assistance in this. Needless to say, I feel a bit guilty - this madhouse that others call an office, is the main reason, but it was my mistake.

I believe I am getting UMRRA to pay salaries, but will confirm later.

Deicer boots, UNRRA advise, cannot get delivery until March. I am looking around for these in New York.

C.A.A. business, will work out and advise.

Approval obtained from War Department for ferry today and will walk papers around ATC and Navy. Due red tape and requests to Pan-Am to use their POL facilities at Midway, Wake, Guam (Navy), believe alternative route more convenient and am working on this.

Will send you minutes of the last conference had with UNRRA as soon as they are typed.

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Sincerely,